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OF FRG SECURITY POLICY.

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DEFENSE MINISTER LEBER' S JUNE 17 KIEL SPEECH ON
" ASPECTS OF SECURITY AND DETENTE IN EUROPE" (REFTEL)
CONCLUDES WITH THE FOLLOWPNG STATEMENT OF " FOUR
ESSENTIAL FACTORS OF FUTURE FRG SECURITY POLICY".

BEGIN TEXT:

1. THE DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGIC NUCLEAR WEAPONS
PARITY FORCES THE TWO WORLD POWERS TO LIMIT CONFLICTS
AND DISPUTES AND TO AVOID SITUATIONS CARRYING THE
DANGER OF ESCALATION. THIS SITUATION OF STALEMATE
LIMITS THE FREEDOM OF ACTION OF THE WORLD POWERS.

2. THIS SITUATION IN THE NUCLEAR AREA FAVORS (I. E.
REQUIRES) INDIVIDUAL- INDEPENDENT NATIONAL EFFORTS OF
THE REGIONAL (EUROPEAN) POWERS; MULTIPOLAR STRUCTURES
OF WORLD POLITICS BELOW THE NUCLEAR LEVELS ARE
BEGINNING TO ERODE. CONSEQUENTLY, THE MANEUVERING
ROOM FOR NEGOTIATION OF THE WORLD POWERS VIS- A- VIS
ALLIES AND NEUTRALS WILL NARROW. HOWEVER, THIS
REQUIRES OF THE REGIONAL POWERS ON THEIR SIDE SUFFICIENT
INITIATIVE AND READINESS FOR RESPONSIBILITY. THE
EUROPEAN PARTNERS OF THE ALLIANCES WILL WORK MORE
CLOSELY TOGETHER IN ORDER TO SYNCHRONIZE AND TO FIND
MORE COMMONALITY IN THE AREAS OF DETENTE AND DEFENSE
POLICY. THIS WAS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, ALSO THE
REQUEST OF PRESIDENT NIXON IN HIS 1969 DOCTRINE.....

3. IN THE COMMUNIST WORLD, MOSCOW' S IDEOLOGICAL
INFALLIBILITY IS NO LONGER UNDISPUTED; OF COURSE,
THIS DOES NOT PREJUDICE (MOSCOW' S) BASIC INCLINATION
TOWARD EXPANSION. BUT IT DOES HAVE CONSEQUENCES ON
THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE SOVIET UNION, WHICH MORE
AND MORE TAKES ON THE QUALITY OF A CONSERVATIVE
POWER POLICY WITH WORLDWIDE CLAIMS. IN THE WEST,
A DIFFERENT ASSESSMENT CONCERNING THE GOALS AND
MOTIVES OF SOVIET POLICY IS DEVELOPING.

4. IN ALL COUNTRIES, DEFENSE REQUIREMENTS COMPETE
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WITH BUDGETARY DEMANDS FOR DOMESTIC EXPENDITURES SUCH
AS SOCIAL SECURITY, HEALTH. EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT
AND TRANSPORTATION. THIS...(PROBLEM) OF DOMESTIC
PRIORITIES IS STRONGER IN THE WEST THAN IN THE EAST.

5. THESE FOUR FACTORS DETERMINE OUR ROOM FOR
MANEUVERING. SECURITY POLICY MUST SEEK TO GUARANTEE

A BALANCE OF POWER BETWEEN RIVALRY AND PARTIAL
COOPERATION, BETWEEN GUARANTEE OF THE STATUS QUO
AND PEACEFUL CHANGE, BETWEEN DETERRENCE THROUGH
ARMS AND CONTROLLED ARMS LIMITATION. END TEXT.
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